

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Thursday, May 7, 1998.

Appointment:

Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d-276g, as amended, appointed the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group during the Second Session of the 105th Congress, to be held in Nantucket, Massachusetts, May 14-18, 1998: Senators Grassley and Grams. **Page S4450**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the proposed agreement for Cooperation Between the United States of America and Ukraine for Cooperation Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-122).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

L. Britt Snider, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

28 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—121)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:21 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 7, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4450.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal

year 1999 for the Department of Defense, focusing on the United States Pacific Command, receiving testimony from Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, U.S. Navy, Commander in Chief, United States Pacific Command.

Subcommittee will meet again on Monday, May 11.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to begin markup of proposed legislation to authorize funds for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and to prescribe military personal strengths for fiscal year 1999, and related proposals, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

COMMON CARRIER BUREAU

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded oversight hearings to examine the activities of the Common Carrier Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission, focusing on its implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, after receiving testimony from A. Richard Metzger, Jr., Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Ronald J. Binz, Competition Policy Institute, Denver, Colorado; and Earl W. Comstock, Sher & Blackwell, Albert Halprin, Halprin, Temple, Goodman & Sugrue, and Peter W. Huber, Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd & Evans, on behalf of the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, all of Washington, D.C.

NEVADA PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 94 and H.R. 449, bills to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada, after receiving testimony from Senators Reid and Bryan; Representatives Ensign and Gibbons; Tom Fry, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Mayor Michael L. Montandon, North Las Vegas, Nevada; and Lance Malone and Mary Kincaid, both of the Clark County Board of Commissioners, and Rosemary Vassiliadis, Clark County Department of Aviation, all of Las Vegas, Nevada.

KOSOVO

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs held hearings to examine the status of human rights violations and United States foreign policy in Kosovo, receiving testimony from Robert S. Gelbard, Special Representative of the President

and the Secretary of State for Implementation of the Dayton Peace Accords; and John Fox, Open Society Institute, James R. Hooper, Balkan Institute, and Joseph J. DioGuardi, Albanian American Civic League, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

TRIBAL SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1691, to provide for Indian legal reform, focusing on the status of tribal sovereign immunity and the role it plays to preserve the Federal Government's protection of tribal self-government, and its impact on Indian economic development, commercial dealings, and taxation, after receiving testimony from Thomas L. LeClaire, Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; Dale Webb, Mescalero Apache Tribe, Mescalero, New Mexico; Pedro Johnson and Jackson King, both of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, Mashantucket, Connecticut; Wendell Askenette, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Keshena; Milton Bluehouse, Sr., and Britt E. Clapham, II, both of the Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; Eric D. Eberhard, Dorsey and Whitney, Seattle, Washington; Dennis A. Ferdon, Anderson and Ferdon, Norwich, Connecticut; Richard A. Goren, Rubin, Hay and Gould, Framingham, Massachusetts; Gregory A. Abbott,

Weinblatt and Gaylord, St. Paul, Minnesota; and Bernard J. Gamache, Wapato, Washington.

AUTHORIZATION—INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to begin markup of proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence related activities of the United States Government, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

MEDICARE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of the Health Care Financing Administration's development of its information campaign, and recommendations on ways to help beneficiaries make informed choices among Medicare health plans and other related resources, after receiving testimony from Michael Hash, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Systems Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; and Susan Kleimann, Kleimann Communications Group, Geraldine Dallek, Institute for Health Care Research and Policy/Georgetown University, and David S. Abernathy, HIP Health Plans, all of Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 7 public bills, H.R. 3798–3804; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 272 and H. Res. 421, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of FERC Project Number 9248 in the State of Colorado (H. Rept. 105–509);

H.R. 2841, to extend the time required for the construction of a hydroelectric project (H. Rept. 105–510);

H. Res. 420, providing for consideration of H.R. 3694, authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (H. Rept. 105–511);

H. Con. Res. 262, authorizing the 1998 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement

Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds, amended (H. Rept. 105–512);

H. Con. Res. 265, authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. (H. Rept. 105–513); and

H. Con. Res. 263, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the seventeenth annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, amended (H. Rept. 105–514).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. George Docherty of Alexandria, Pennsylvania.

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BESTEIA Conference Appointments: As additional conferees on H.R. 2400, from the Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of title XI of the House bill and title VI of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Nussle, Hulshof, and Rangel. From the Committee on the Budget for consideration of title VII and title X of the House bill and modifications